
Federal Communications Commission

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of

State of Maryland
Antenna Structure Registrant
ASR #1028990
Woodlawn, Maryland

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File No.: EB-FIELDNER-14-00013494
NOV No.: V201432340006

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: February 26, 2014

By the District Director, Columbia Office, Northeast Region, Enforcement Bureau:

1. This is a Notice of Violation (Notice) issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission's rules (Rules)¹ to the State of Maryland, registrant of antenna structure number 1028990 located in Woodlawn, Maryland. Pursuant to Section 1.89(a) of the Rules, issuance of this Notice does not preclude the Enforcement Bureau from further action if warranted, including issuing a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for the violation noted herein.²

2. On January 30, 2014, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau's Columbia Office inspected antenna structure number 1028990 located at 1711 Belmont Avenue, Woodlawn, Maryland. The agent observed the following violation:

47 C.F.R. § 17.50: "Antenna structures requiring painting under this part shall be cleaned or repainted as often as necessary to maintain good visibility." At the time of inspection, the agent observed that the tower had faded and peeling paint.

3. Pursuant to Section 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,³ and Section 1.89 of the Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violation and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, the State of Maryland must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.⁴

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.89.

² 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a).

³ 47 U.S.C. § 403.

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c).

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4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Rules, we direct the State of Maryland to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized official of the State of Maryland with personal knowledge of the representations provided in the State of Maryland's response, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,⁵ and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the State of Maryland's possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.⁶

5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission
Columbia Office
9200 Farm House Lane
Columbia, Maryland 21046

6. This Notice shall be sent to the State of Maryland at its address of record.

7. The Privacy Act of 1974⁷ requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

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⁵ Section 1.16 of the Rules provides that "[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : 'I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)'." 47 C.F.R. § 1.16.

⁶ 18 U.S.C. § 1001 *et seq.* See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17.

⁷ P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).